THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) and (b) Five B' n-ches of C ntral Administrative Tribunal were stablislied on I-I 1-1985 at New Delhi , Allahabad, Calcutta, Madras and New Bombay and direc more Benches of the Tribunal were established at Bangalore, Chandigarh and Guwahati on 3-3-1986. It is proposed to establish seven more B; nchrs ofthe Central Administrative Tribunal at Ahmedabad, Cuttack, Ernakulam, Hyderabad, Jabalpur, Jodhpur and Patna by 30-6-1986.

National Register of citizens in Assam and N. £ region

227. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CH-AKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what steps Government have taken to prepare a National Register of citizens in Assam and North-Eastern region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THEMINISTRYOF COMMUNICATIONS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): There is no proposal at prestnt to prepare a National Register of Citizens in Assam and North-Eastern Region.

Contract Labour engaged in the Bharat Electronics Limited, Ghaziabad

228. SHRIMATl KANAK MUKHERIEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of workers on contract labour engaged in the Bharat Electronics Limited, Ghaziabad; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to absorb those workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND DEFENCE SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) While no contract labour is engaged, BEL do award contracts for jobs of seasonal or special nature, not connected with the manufacturing proo ss. Labour engaged on such jobs are not employees of BEL.

(b) Does not arise.

Research and Development Skills by Indian Companies

229. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that efforts made by the Indian com panies to develop their own research and development skills and adopt imported technologies to suit Indian conditions is quite satisfactory; and

(b) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, what concrete steps are being taken by Govern ment to make it obligatory on the Indian companies to develop their research and development wings and continuously update them in line with international development of technology?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Efforts made by the Indian Companies to develop their own research and develop skills and adopt imported technologies to suit Indian Conditi not satisfactory and much more needs to be done.

(b) So far the Government has provided all encouragement for such Research and Development and has also provided several incentives. It is now considered that certain mandatory measures will also have to be taken.

Development of nuclear energy

230. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose "to develop 10,000 MW nuclear power by 2000 A.D.

(b) if so, what is thee estimated cost of this programme; and

(c) whether consideration of environmental safety and protection against excessive radiation are being kept in view while planning for the development of nuclear energy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total capital cost for the entire 10,000 MWe power programme is .imated at Rs. 13,900 crores based on 1983 price level.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Extradition of Sikh Terrorists

231. PROF.C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments of Canada, the United Kingdom, West Germany and the United States have agreed to deport extradite sikh terrorists from their respective countries; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) No Sikh terrorist has so far been extradited/deported to India from Canada, UK, West Germay and USA. Requests for extradition/deportation of terrorists from these countries are mooted by us in terms of extradition treaties/arrangements existing between India and these countries.

(b) Generally these governments have been pleading legal difficulties in extraditing/deporting these terrorists to India.

Leasing out of wasteland to industries

232. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to examine the proposal of leasing out some wasteland to industries to meet their captive needs for forest based raw materials as reported in the Statesman of 7th February, 1986; and

(b) if so, what progress has so far been made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIZ.R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir The National Land Use and ids Develop-